

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of: Navin N. Thakkar

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For: Flexible Nail Assembly For  
Fractures Of Long Bones

Art Unit: 3733

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 AND  
REQUEST FOR EXTENSION FOR TIME LIMIT  
(Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136)**

Sir:

Applicant submits this response to the Non final Office Action mailed on Date 06/18/2009. This amendment which is fully responsive to Non Final Office Action is being filed along with fees for extension of time limit and is, therefore, a proper submission.

In view of following amendments and remarks, Applicant respectfully request entry of this paper believed necessary to bring prosecution to speedy conclusion and to deal justly by Applicant and the public. Applicant believes the claims herewith define his invention in a manner that will give him patent protection to which he is justly entitled. This amendment does not introduce any new matter.

Accordingly, Applicant respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of outstanding rejections and requests for allowance of claims pending in his Application for patent.

Provided herewith and for consideration with the above -identified Application are the following:

**Amendments to the claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page three (3) of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 08 of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet.

**Remarks** begin at page number 09 of this paper.

Applicant hereby requests that the period for response to Non Final Office Action mailed on Date June 18 , 2008 , now set to expire on September 18, 2009 , be extended by two (2) months , so as to expire on November,18 , 2009. Applicant qualifies for small entity status. Fees required therefore for extension of time limit as requested above are hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No.: 20-0674. It is not believed that fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those which may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefore (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No.: 20-0674.